

Idaho Master Naturalist Volunteer Opportunity Description



Name of Volunteer Opportunity: Goshawk monitoring

Agency: US Forest Service

Dates/seasons: Mid June to early August

Time Commitment: Volunteers will work in teams of two. Two to four days total per team of two is required.

Description: The protocol includes a nest search at the historic nests from June 15 through July 15. If no goshawks are found, a grid search around the nests will be conducted. A game caller is used to broadcast the alarm call of the goshawk in hope of eliciting a response. If a response is detected, a nest search is then conducted to locate the nest.

If an active nest is located in the June-July period, a return in early August is required to count fledglings.

Supplies: Forest Service will supply a game caller, maps, and a .gpx file for downloading the grid point coordinates. You will need a GPS, binoculars and your vehicle.

Additional training provided? David Ovard, Wildlife Biologist and Sabrina Derusseau will conduct a training session one evening before June 15th.

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